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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 1.136(a) Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of **one** month to respond to the outstanding Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 USC 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) dated **28 December 2000**. Our check in the amount of **\$110.00**, the extension fee required for a one month extension (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)), is submitted concurrently herewith.

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